

This is a summary of the actions of the Oak Park and River Forest High School Board of Education at its regular Board meeting on Thursday, December 21, 2006:

**Board  
Actions**

- approved the Consent Items: Open Minutes of November 16, 21, 28, 30, December 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 12, 2006, as presented; financial reports; ratification and confirmation of the execution of certain vouchers for January 2007; disbursement list of vendors dated December 21, 2006; the amendment of policies 20, Board of Education; 4370, Mandatory Reporting Responsibilities; 6134, Instructional Materials; 6210, Field Trips, for deletion; 6220, Tutoring and Therapy; the deletion of Policy 6400, Instructional and Recreational Support Materials, the adoption of Policy 4111, Safety Program; first reading of policies 5110, Student Rights and Responsibilities; 5111, Student Freedom of Expression; 5112, Waiver of School Fees; 5113, Student Accident Insurance;
- approved the course proposals as recommended by the Instruction Committee at its December 14, 2006, meeting;
- approved the Resolution to Withdraw from the SELF Cooperative;
- adopted the Annual Tax Levy as presented;
- accepted with gratitude a donation from William Cragg of a 1995 Ford to the O.P.R.F.H.S.'s auto shop and from Office Depot's Merchandise Card Back-to-Schools Program a check in the amount of \$56.81;
- approved the Closed Session Minutes of November 16, 21, 28, 30, December 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 12, 2006, and the destruction of closed session audio tapes of June 2005;
- appointed Gail Kalmerton as the designated representative to handle the receiving and filing of nominating petitions for election to be held in and for District No. 200 on April 17, 2007, and authority to delegate authority to carry out these duties when she is absent; and
- expelled Student EXP 12/21/06-20, for the remainder of the first semester of the 2006-07 school year through summer school but held the expulsion in abeyance contingent upon completion of enrollment and regular attendance at an alternative school for the remainder of the first semester of 2006-07 school year and summer school, ongoing counseling, and verification and maintenance of residency in the District.

**Reports**

Dr. Bridge congratulated John Stelzer and Cindy Milojevic for choreographing the Pack the Place evening on Friday, December 8, which drew an estimated crowd of 2,000 participants, and included the opening of *Ma Rainey's Black Bottom*, the varsity girls' basketball game against Glenbard West, the varsity boys' basketball game against York and an activities' fair for all attendees. Dr. Bridge announced that so far she has learned

that twelve faculty members have received nominations for the Golden Apple Award, the largest number of teachers to receive this nomination in recent history. Dr. Bridge also thanked Officer Freelain for his work on behalf of students, staff, and the school community and congratulated him on his promotion to detective. Officer Eric Locke will replace Officer Freelain as the school's Oak Park Resource Officer. Dr. Bridge noted that the school celebrated 159 students who committed a noteworthy act of kindness or thoughtfulness at the 2006 Human Relations Award Breakfast on November 30. Faculty member Marie Urbanski informed Dr. Bridge that the Volunteer Resource Team of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County had recognized O.P.R.F.H.S.'s Biology/Environmental Club for the Club's adoption of Thatcher Woods. The Forest Preserve District will post a sign by Thatcher Woods indicating this adoption.

Mr. Edgecombe presented the First Quarter Student Discipline Report.

The Board Members reported on their various Board committee and liaison representative responsibilities.

## **Personnel**

### **Non-certified Personnel**

**Appointments**    **Jamie May**, Food Service cashier, effective 11/18/06

*The Board of Education wishes all Happy Holidays!*

**The next regular Board of Education Meeting will be on Thursday, January 25, 2007, at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room.**